



INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH TIF

# PASSIVE VOICE

# PASSIVE VOICE ?

Refers to a model where the verb acts on the subject. Passive voice sentences feature configurations of “to be” and the past participle [V3]. Besides, the passive voice can give rise to a preposition.



**PASSIVE : SbeV3**



**PASSIVE (Modals): SMbeV3**

## Examples:

*The car was hit by the boy.*

*The fish was eaten by the cat.*

*The snakes should be hated by many people.*



### Note:

- ❖ The subjects **GET** a certain action (shifting as the object)
- ❖ General structures :  
S + be (to be/ aux) + V3 + by  
(can be different according to tenses used)

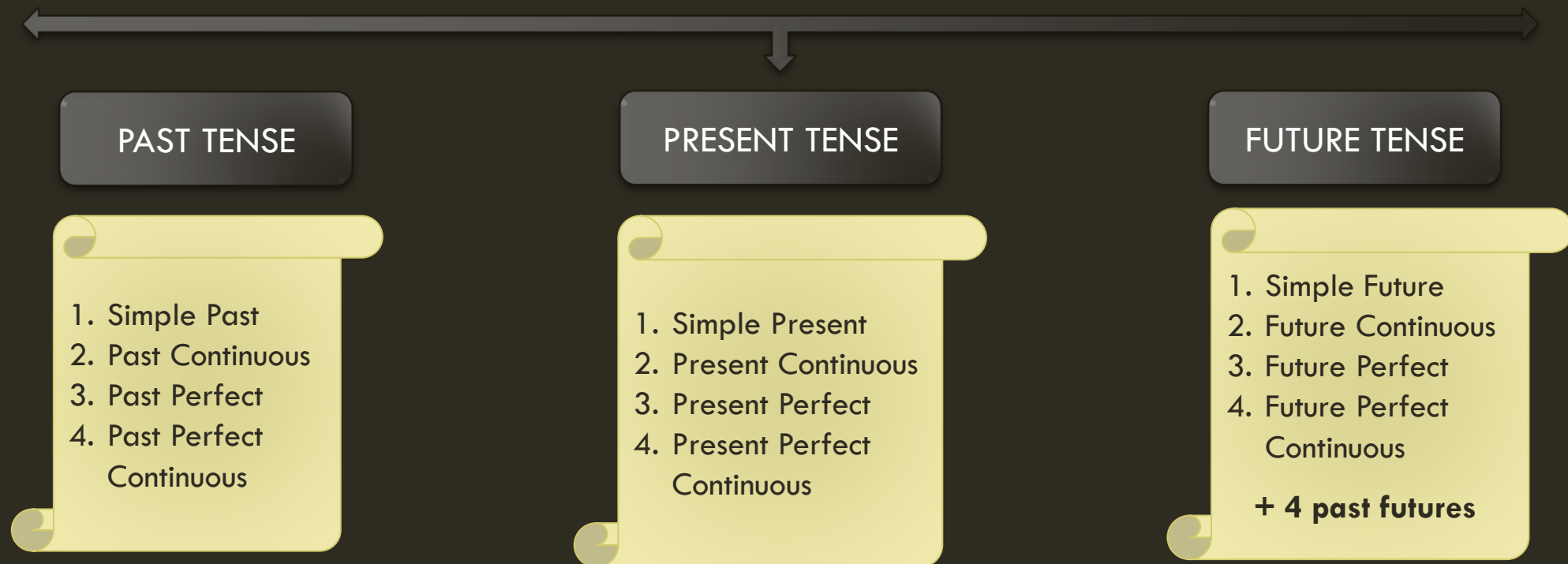


# PASSIVE ON TENSES

Different tenses, different  
structures of passive voice

# TENSES

The concept of tenses in English is a method that we use to refer to time (past, present and future) by modifying verbs



## PAST TENSE

Time signal:  
just now, this  
morning, yesterday,  
two days ago, last  
month/ year, etc.

To be:  
Was (I, he, she, it /  
single)  
Were (you, we, they  
/ plural)

Auxiliary:  
Had (all subjects)

A → Active  
P → Passive

### 1. Simple Past

A: S + V(2) + O

P: S + be (was/were) + V3

A: They studied math together yesterday

P: Math was studied by them together  
yesterday

### 2. Past Continuous / Progressive

A: S + was/were + V(ing) + O

P: S + be (was/were) + being + V3

A: They were studying math together

P: Math was being studied by them together

### 3. Past Perfect

A: S + had + V(3) + O

P: S + had + been + V3

A: Lita had eaten the bananas

P: the bananas had been eaten by Lita

### 4. Past Perfect Continuous

A: S + had + been + V(ing) + O

P: S + had + been + being + V3

A: Lucy had been eating the bananas

P: The bananas had been being eaten by Lucy

## PRESENT TENSE

Time signal:

Now, at this time /  
moment, today,  
tonight, always,  
often, frequently,  
etc.

To be:

Am (I)  
Is (he, she, it /  
single)  
are (you, we, they /  
plural)

Auxiliary:

Has (he, she, it /  
single)  
Have (I, you, we,  
they / plural)

A → Active  
P → Passive

### 1. Simple Present

A: S + V(1) + O

P: S + be (am/is/are) + V3

A: Lita eats the bananas today

P: the bananas are eaten by Lita today

### 2. Present Continuous / Progressive

A: S + am/is/are + V(ing) + O

P: S + be (am/is/are) + being + V3

A: Lita is eating the bananas right now

P: the bananas are being eaten by Lita right now

### 3. Present Perfect

A: S + has/have + V3 + O

P: S + has/have + been + V3

A: They have studied math since two days ago

P: the Math has been studied by them since two days ago

### 4. Present Perfect Continuous

A: S + has/have + been + V(ing) + O

P: S + has/have + been + being + V3

A: Lucy has been eating the bananas

P: The bananas have been being eaten by Lucy

## FUTURE TENSE

### 1. Simple Future

A: S + will + V(1) + O

P: S + will + be + V3

A: They will study math tomorrow

P: the math will be studied by them tomorrow

### 2. Future Continuous / Progressive

A: S + will + be + V(ing) + O

P: S + will + be + being + V3

A: Lita will be eating the bananas

P: the bananas will be being eaten by Lita

### 3. Future Perfect

A: S + will + have + V3 + O

P: S + will + have + been + V3

A: Lita will have eaten the bananas

P: the bananas will have been eaten by Lita

### 3. Future Perfect Continuous

A: S + will + have + been + V(ing) + O

P: S + will + have + been + being + V(ing)

A: Lucy will have been eating the bananas

P: The bananas will have been being eaten by Lucy

Time signal:  
tomorrow, later,  
two days later, next  
week / month /  
year, in the future,  
etc.

Auxiliary:  
Have (all subjects)

A → Active  
P → Passive

# EXERCISES

A: Rita washes the car in front of her house

P: the car is washed by Rita in front of her house

A: My friends took my laptop yesterday

P: My laptop was taken by my friends yesterday

A: We have bought a bicycle in the mall

P: a bicycle has been bought by us in the mall



# EXERCISE

A: You took the book on the table

P: the book was taken by you on the table

A: They have brought the bag to my mother

P: the bag has been brought by them to my mother

THANK YOU 😊

See you at the practicum class!